

MORE DRY DOCKS AS NAVY GROWS

Admiral Capps Points Out
the Need of Greater
Facilities.

THOSE ON SHORE THE BEST

Floating Dock Dewey in Philippines
Useless for General
Overhauling.

The urgent need of dry dock facilities is emphasized by Rear Admiral W. L. Capps, chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, Navy Department, in his annual report, published today. He points out that there are but two dry docks on the Atlantic coast and that in which the largest battleships may be docked, one of these, in the New York navy yard, having so far deteriorated as to require a general overhauling in the near future.

Shore Dry Docks Best.

In this connection Admiral Capps states that the floating dry dock can never approach in usefulness the dry dock ashore. The dry dock Dewey, delivered during the year at the Olongapo station, in the Philippines, cannot at present be used for general overhauling and repairs to hull, owing to the lack of highly-trained machinists in the islands.

The construction of the battleship Connecticut at New York navy yard by the Government in competition with the contract constructed Louisiana, reflected credit on the constructors of the former. Owing to the reduction by Congress in the increase of the navy the construction from the start during June 30, 1906, is estimated by the bureau at \$12,712,915, as against \$17,830,829, appropriated for the current year.

The New Battleships.

Rear Admiral Capps furnishes Congress with a detailed account of the first-class battleships No. 26 and No. 27. These are the South Carolina and Michigan, each to be 450 feet long, sixty feet beam, and of 16,000 tons displacement.

This is the type of ship which American naval constructors say will almost equal the Dreadnought in power, although considerably smaller in tonnage.

CHARITIES FUND NOT YET COMPLETE

More Subscriptions Desired
to Complete \$16,000 for
Year's Expenses.

All the contributions which the Associated Charities has received to date in answer to its recent appeal signed by Justice David J. Brewer have now been acknowledged in the newspapers with the exception of the following, which are reported today by John Joy Edson, treasurer, with the statement that additional subscriptions are needed to complete the fund of \$16,000 which the association has raised at this time for its year's expenses. Subscriptions should be sent to 511 G street:

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O, HE STOLE A KISS! TO JAIL WITH HIM!

Judge Decides It an Aggra-
vated Case of
Larceny.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Frank Munfort, a prosperous shoe dealer of this town, has been sentenced to six months imprisonment for stealing a kiss. Recorder Corwin in sentencing Munfort, said that it was an aggravated case of larceny and that "such conduct must stop."

GARRICK CLUB CELEBRATES ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY

A large and enthusiastic crowd filled the parlors of the Garrick Club last night to celebrate the first anniversary of the club. There were speeches, songs, and stories, and the merriment lasted well into the night. Representative John Sharp Williams, the minority leader of the House, was called on, and responded in a humorous speech, in which he promised that if elected President of the United States he would not attempt to change nor advocate the "reformed" spelling. The old way, he said, was good enough. An attempt was made to change the name of the club to "Garrick's," but this was rejected. Others who spoke were Representatives W. G. Brantly and James Kennedy.

"I'm Proud of You"



DISTRICT SELF-GOVERNMENT URGED BY REPRESENTATIVES

Sims of Tennessee and Taylor of Ohio Promise West
Washington Association to Give Support to Any
Measure Placed Before House.

The West Washington Citizens' Association had as guests at its monthly meeting last night on Conduit road, Representative T. W. Sims of Tennessee and E. L. Taylor of Ohio, members of the House Committee on the District of Columbia. Before introducing the speakers President Cress M. Fulton, of the association, summarized in a short speech the needs of West Washington, saying: "We need fire protection; the nearest engine is two miles away. We need sewers, electric lights, streets, and most of all a local form of government. We are now a people taxed virtually without representation."

"Little of Everything."

Representative Sims in replying said that the District government was the most peculiar he had ever seen. "Your government is a little of everything," he said, "and again it's nothing. You partake of the nature of a nation, then a State, a county, and a municipality."

He agreed with Mr. Fulton that there should be some form of local government in the District, composed of local men who were familiar with the needs

of each section. "We do the best we can for you," said the speaker, "but we are unequalled with your needs, and again we must devote the greater portion of our time to the boys who send us here or we won't get back again. You should have a city government, and the only way to get it is to agitate the question. Invoke the power of the press, for it is a power."

Favors Local Government.

"As for me, I shall support any measure looking toward a local government for the District, for I am against the practice of the powers that be to shove off on the 'Deestrick' every lame duck who is down and out at home where his people know him best."

Representative Taylor followed in an entertaining speech along the same line, and deprecated as being very unsatisfactory the quadruple form of government the District was now burdened with. He promised his aid to any measure that would relieve the situation, and give the people a local form of government, presided over by local men who knew the needs of every section, as it was impossible for the members of the House Committee and District Commissioners to do.

SUIT AGAINST BONI BROUGHT TO CLOSE

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Arguments in the suit brought by creditors against Count Boni de Castellane and his former wife, Madame Anna Gould, were concluded today. The court postponed rendering its verdict for a week. Total bills for household expenses presented amounted to 2,300,735 francs, of which 188,555 have already been paid.

BLUE BLOOD

May Be Aristocratic, But It's Liable to
Cause Cold Hands and Feet.

Wherever the idea that blue-blooded ancestry is the best may have originated, the fact is physiologically speaking, blue blood is bad blood. That is to say, the blood in the veins which is dark and appears blue through the white skin, is that portion of the blood stream laden with the waste of refuse material of the system, after the red blood (arterial) has carried real food to the tissues. "Red blood" is today the mark of Nature's aristocrat.

When, from imperfect nutrition, the blood loses its rich red color and becomes dark or "blue" the result is cold hands and feet, and more or less palpitation of the heart, as well as general weakness. Coffee drinking, in many persons, causes blue blood and does not insure any coat-of-arms or ancient pedigree—except the ancient habit of coffee drinking itself. A "blue blooded" woman writes:

"I drank coffee for ten years, my head was dizzy, I had constant heartburn, could not sleep nights, my hands and feet were cold summer and winter, my blood was poor and thin (blue blood). 'Seeing so much said in praise of Postum in the papers, my husband and I decided to try it. That was more than a year ago, and we have used it ever since. 'Now my head is not dizzy, my hands and feet are always warm, my nerves are steady and I can sleep all night. A few weeks ago, calling at a friend's house, they said, 'What in the world have you been doing? You look ten years younger. I never saw you look so well.' 'When I told them it was on account of Postum, that I had quit drinking coffee, they could hardly believe it. But some time after that they told me they had been using Postum, too, had quit coffee and were so much better every day.' Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Don't fail to read booklet, 'The Road to Wellville,' in pkgs. 'There's a reason.'"

Huge Warship's Plans At Mercy of Laymen

Naval Experts to Have Little or No Voice in
Selection—Congress Must Approve De-
sign for Dreadnought's Rival.

"If a farmer Congressman or a country lawyer who is a member of the House decides that he wants the new monster battleship of the United States Navy to resemble Noah's ark, he will have a chance to make a fight on the floor of the House for such a retrogression in the development of Uncle Sam's sea-fighters," said a veteran in the Capitol lobby today.

"It does not particularly matter that the new craft is to cost a total of about \$6,000,000. The voice of the farmers and the country lawyers, who make up a large part of the House, will, according to the present outlook, decide by their votes what the plans for it are to be."

"Members of the House Committee on Naval Affairs are up in the air. The years they have spent and the conferences they have had with expert naval constructors in learning the technicalities of shipbuilding will not help them much this time."

"They will have no more to do with the selection of the plans than the farmers, who might think they wanted the monster fighter's maw to look like a plow share and its prow to resemble a shock of wheat."

Paragraph That Counts.

"This anomalous situation is the result of the following paragraph, which the House last session incorporated in the naval appropriation bill:

"Provided, That before any proposals for said battleship shall be issued or any bill received and accepted the Secretary of the Navy shall report to Congress at its next session full details covering the type of such battleship and the specifications for the same, including its displacement, draft, and dimensions, and the kind and extent of armor and armament therefor."

"This clause was put into the bill on

the demand of certain disgruntled gentlemen who did not want to have the requisite \$6,000,000 appropriated for the battleship which, according to the terms of the appropriation, is to be a first-class battleship, carrying as heavy armor and as powerful armament as any known vessel of its class, to have the highest practicable speed and greatest practicable radius of action.

Easy to Force Delay.

"Now, the House will reap the benefit of the provision about plans going to the House. Already half a dozen plans have been submitted to the Navy Department, and it is understood that the department is ready to report to Congress which plan it thinks the best for this craft that is intended to excel all other fighting vessels."

"But, if the farmer or the country lawyer or the city physician who happens to be a member of the House objects, or thinks he objects, he can start up a tremendous fight to have the plans rejected, and to ask for new ones. He may even make a fight for instructions to the naval constructors to have the poop deck made out of egg-shells or to have the smokestacks phosphorescent."

HARVARD LIBRARIAN'S LECTURE.

A lecture on the Library of Harvard University by William C. Lane, Harvard Librarian, will be the feature of the meeting of the District of Columbia Library Association which will be held in the lecture room of the Public Library tonight. The results of the election of officers which took place at the last meeting will be announced.

PRESIDENT'S PORTRAIT.

The excellent portrait of President Roosevelt that was printed in The Times last Monday was made from a copyrighted photograph made by Clineinst.

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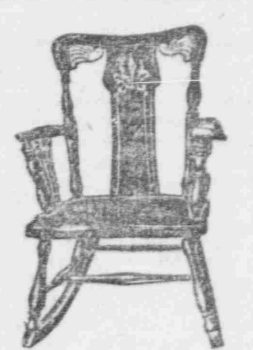
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